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# FI\$Cal *Focus*

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## **FI\$CAL WELCOMES JEFF UYEDA**

We are pleased to announce Jeff Uyeda as the new Executive Partner for FI\$Cal. Jeff brings with him extensive experience in the Information Technology arena both from the private and public sectors.

Jeff's public sector experience includes time spent as an Assistant Budget Officer and later the Chief of Accounting and Financial Services at the Department of General Services, Chief of the Audit and Rate Development Section at the California Department of Corrections, Assistant Secretary of State and Chief of the Management Services Division at the Secretary of State's Office, Deputy Director of Administration at the California Department of Highway Patrol, and most recently, the Assistant Chief of the California Department of Technology, Office of Technology Services.

Jeff's private sector experience includes time spent as a Business Development Executive for IBM's State and Local Government Practice from 2004 to 2009, Strategic Account Director at Oracle Consulting from 2003 to 2004, and Director of Business Development at IBM from 1999 to 2003.

FI\$Cal is excited to have Jeff as part of the leadership team here at the Project.



## **AUGUST FORUM HELD**

Thank you for your participation at the August FI\$Cal Forum. There were nearly 250 attendees representing 63 departments in attendance. If you were not able to attend, but would like to view the material presented at the forum, you can find it on our website or by clicking [here](#).

The forum provided updates on how things are going for Wave 1 departments and the status of Waves 2 and 3 activities. In addition, Kristin Shelton from the Department of Finance provided information on the upcoming budget preparation activities and Jim Butler from the Department of General Services gave an update on FI\$Cal's impact to DGS legacy systems. Our next FI\$Cal Forum is scheduled for November 18.



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## BUSINESS PROCESS WORKSHOPS

Business Process Workshops (BPWs) are right around the corner for Wave 2 departments. BPWs are delivered to help departments build an understanding of the new business processes at the process level and to help them understand how their department will be impacted by the new FI\$Cal process. For Wave 2, BPWs will be held to cover accounting, procurement, budgeting, and cash management that is currently in production as part of Wave 1. These sessions will be attended by the departments who are new to FI\$Cal in Wave 2. For the departments who are already live in FI\$Cal, there will be BPWs specific to new functionality added in Wave 2 in the areas of procurement, grants and contracts. As

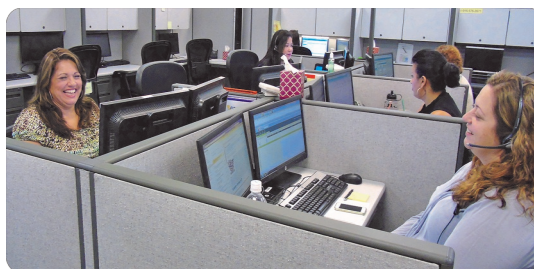
part of the BPWs, departments will have the opportunity to identify department-specific impacts as well as action items to address during and after the BPWs. Departments will participate in activities during each BPW to actively begin identifying department-specific impacts and actions for each of the provided changes.

The FI\$Cal Change Management Team, Business Team, and Partner Agency Subject Matter Experts will be present at these BPWs to help participants consider potential updates to department processes.

We look forward to working with our Wave 2 departments during these upcoming sessions.

## ATTENTION FI\$CAL USERS

If you're having trouble navigating transactions in the FI\$Cal System, did you know that help is just a click away? The help link located in the top right corner of the FI\$Cal application provides immediate access to User Productivity Kits (UPKs) with step-by-step instructions to walk you through transactions. If you're still stuck, have you contacted your Super User? The Super User within your own department can offer useful tips and provide helpful information on where to find specific training. If you need refresher training, be sure to visit the FI\$Cal Training Academy. And as always, the FI\$Cal Service Center



(FSC) is here to help. The FSC is staffed by subject matter experts who can walk you through transactions. To contact the FSC you can send an email to [fiscalservicecenter@fiscal.ca.gov](mailto:fiscalservicecenter@fiscal.ca.gov) or give them a call at (855) FISCAL0 (347-2250).

## WAVE 2 FUNCTIONALITY COMING JULY 2015

### Procurement

- ◆ Sourcing, bidder registration, intent to award communication, contracts, interagency agreements, real property acquisitions
- ◆ Replacement of BidSync functions
- ◆ Public Access to CSCR, SCPRS, SB/DVBE, LPA contracts, and Progress Payments
- ◆ Vendor certification and self-service invoicing
- ◆ Statewide Vendor Management file for procurement

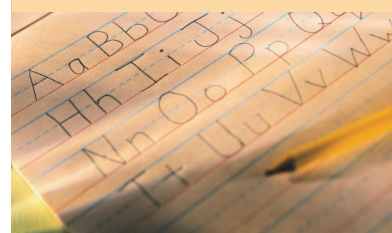
- ◆ Delegated Authority, G\$mart, and CMAS functions
- ◆ Bid Protests

### Accounting

- ◆ Projects/Grants Accounting – Creation of pre-award Grants, Federal funds administration and integration of federal contract billing, Primavera project management
- ◆ Asset Accounting – Hand-held scanning capability
- ◆ Billing – DGS billing

## GLOSSARY

*This section features acronyms or definitions for the FI\$Cal Project. For a list of additional terms, please visit our website at [www.fiscal.ca.gov](http://www.fiscal.ca.gov).*



### Business Process Workshops (BPWs):

Sessions delivered to departments on the functionality being implemented for a specific wave. BPWs help departments build an understanding of the new processes at the process level and an understanding of how their department will be affected. Departments can then assess changes and impacts at the department level.

### FI\$Cal Service Center:

FI\$Cal's help desk that will support Wave 1 departments after go live with questions or issues regarding the FI\$Cal application.

### FI\$Cal Training Academy:

The Learning Management System deployed by the FI\$Cal Project to ensure all FI\$Cal end user training needs are effectively and efficiently met.

### Subject Matter Expert

**(SME):** A Subject Matter Expert is an individual who has deep business knowledge or understands the intricacies of a particular business process. It is most commonly used to describe the people who explain the current process to IT and then answer their questions as they try to build a technology system to automate or streamline the process.

### User Productivity Kit (UPK):

An Oracle tool Integrated with PeopleSoft used to develop online simulations, used during classroom training to demonstrate process steps to users.